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In re Application of:

Pamela C. Yelick, John D. Bartlett,
Joseph P. Vacanti, Bjorn R. Olsen, and
Phillip Stashenko

Before the Examiner:

Travis B. Ribar

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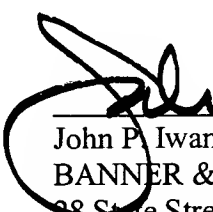
In regard to the above identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Amendment and Response to Office Action, and
2. Return postcard.

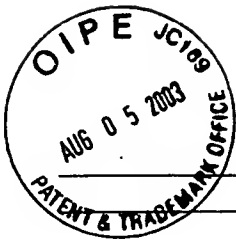
With respect to additional fees, no additional fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 22, 2003 (Paper No. 9) and to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2002 (Paper No. 6). Please reconsider the above-referenced application in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.